

REMARKS

The Office Action dated July 21, 2010 has been received and carefully noted. The above amendments to the claims, and the following remarks, are submitted as a full and complete response thereto.

Claims 29, 41, 42, 53, and 57 have been amended to more particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter of the invention. No new matter has been added. Claims 29-58 and 62-72 are currently pending in the application and are respectfully submitted for consideration.

As a preliminary matter, Applicants wish to thank the Examiner for the courtesy extended in conducting a telephone interview on October 5, 2010. The claim amendments outlined above correspond to the amendments discussed during that interview.

The Office Action rejected claims 29-32, 34-45, 47-53, 55-60, and 62-72 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Hanson (U.S. Patent No. 6,023,624) in view of Fuji (U.S. Patent Pub. No. 2003/0008672). Claims 33, 46, 54, and 61 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Hanson in view of Fuji and Kallin (U.S. Patent No. 6,058,308). Applicants respectfully submit that the present claims recite subject matter which is neither disclosed nor suggested by the cited prior art, as discussed below.

Hanson discloses a system for paging mobile telephone units (MTU) in a cellular mobile system that conserves paging resources. If the identity of the most recent cell in

which the MTU was located matches the identity of the cell wherein the MTU was located on the previous registration, then an initial page covering only the cell of the most recent call location for the target MTU, and the neighboring cells for that cell, is used.

Fuji discloses a mobile terminal that includes a position information detection part that detects current position information, a position information decoder part that calculates the current position information as latitude/longitude information, and a position accuracy degradation-producing part that degrades the apparent accuracy of the latitude/longitude information in plural levels. In operation, when a position search request is made from a third-person terminal, the mobile terminal transmits position information with an accuracy according to the authentication result of the third-person terminal.

Kallin discloses a method for adaptively selecting a paging area throughout which a mobile terminal is paged. A record is maintained which indicates the position where the mobile terminal was located when last accessing the network. When a page is to broadcast to the mobile terminal, the record is accessed and the page is broadcast to selected parts of the network based on the record.

Applicants respectfully submit that Hanson, Fuji, and Kallin, whether considered individually, or in any combination, fail to disclose or suggest, at least, “an application configured to provide location dependent services,” “providing to the application, as the current location, the last known location, without contacting the mobile station,” “wherein the comparing is performed responsive to a signal indicating the status of the

mobile station,” “wherein, responsive to said signal indicating that the mobile station is active, the comparing is disabled and a current location is determined for the mobile station,” and “wherein, responsive to said signal indicating that the mobile station is idle, the comparing is enabled,” as recited in claim 29 and the similar limitations recited in claims 41, 42, 53, and 57.

For at least the reasons discussed during the telephone interview of October 5, 2010, Applicants submit that the combination of Hanson and Fuji, and the combination of Hanson, Fuji and Kallin, fails to disclose or suggest at least the above-discussed elements of the independent claims. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the rejection of claims 29, 41, 42, 53, and 57 be withdrawn and the claims allowed.

Claims 30-40, 43-52, 54-56, 58, and 62-72 are dependent upon claims 29, 42, 53, and 57, respectively. Accordingly, claims 30-40, 43-52, 54-56, 58, and 62-72 should be allowed for at least their dependence upon claims 29, 42, 53, and 57 and for the specific limitations recited therein.

For at least the reasons discussed above, Applicants respectfully submit that the cited prior art fails to disclose or suggest all of the elements of the claimed invention. These distinctions are more than sufficient to render the claimed invention unanticipated and unobvious. It is therefore respectfully requested that all of claims 29-58 and 62-72 be allowed, and this application passed to issue.

If for any reason the Examiner determines that the application is not now in condition for allowance, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner contact, by

telephone, the applicant's undersigned representative at the indicated telephone number to arrange for an interview to expedite the disposition of this application.

In the event this paper is not being timely filed, the applicant respectfully petitions for an appropriate extension of time. Any fees for such an extension together with any additional fees may be charged to Counsel's Deposit Account 50-2222.

Respectfully submitted,

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